

# City of Roanoke



## Central Business District Sealed Trash Compactor



# Current Collection Program

## **CBD Boundary**

- North by Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks
- East by Third St SE
- South by Elm Ave
- West by 5<sup>th</sup> St SW

## **Core Boundary**

- Norfolk Ave to Church Ave, Williamson Rd to Jefferson St

## **Schedule (Mon-Fri)**

- 3:00 p.m. for trash collection (begin in “Core”)
- 6:00 p.m. for recycling collection (begin in “Core”)
- 8:00 p.m. for trash collection (begin in CBD-outside of “Core”)
- 10:00 p.m. for trash collection (transition into “Core” area)

## **Schedule (Sat)**

- Same as above excluding 3:00 p.m. collection

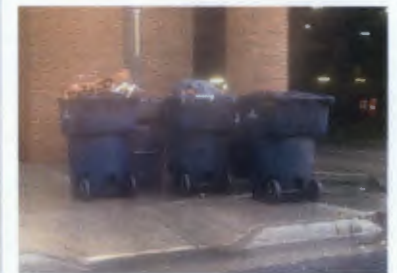
## **Schedule (Sun)**

- 7:00 a.m. “Core” trash collection

# Existing Conditions

## Trash set out on sidewalks

- Not visually appealing
- Impedes pedestrians



# Trash Compactor

- Goal – Sealed trash compactor for the CBD area
- Coordinated with DRI and others



# Trash Compactor

## Proposed Service Area

- Sealed compactor zone 1
  - “Core area” of the CBD
    - ❑ Jefferson to Williamson
    - ❑ Norfolk to Church
- 24/7 option for restaurants to dispose trash
- Eliminates need for placement on sidewalk



# Trash Compactor

- Identified a location
- Entered into a property lease
- Site: Rear of 121 Campbell Ave SE
- Access: Kirk Ave SE



# Trash Compactor

- **Need to prepare site**
- **Construction plans underway to make sure site is ready**
- **Extend electricity to the site**
- **Lease the compactor**

# Trash Compactor

- Project Costs:**
- Site Preparation: \$150,000 (one-time fee)
  - Total Operating Costs: \$65,000 (annual)  
is already budgeted  
(includes leasing, labor and disposal fees)

- Site Maintenance:**
- Upkeep by city staff
  - Compactor serviced under contract
  - Recycling also available

# Trash Compactor

## Cost to Customers

**Current cost structure (class-of-trade):**

- \$70 month – small businesses
- \$120 month – restaurants and large businesses

**Proposed cost structure July 1, 2013:**

- No charge for first 2 uses each week
- \$1 for each subsequent use of compactor
- Maximum charge capped at current rate

# Trash Compactor

## Customer Option

- **Current customers within compactor zone have option not to use compactor until January 1, 2014**
- **Current fees would be doubled to \$140 and \$240**
- **Collection changes to once daily at 6:00 a.m. (set out between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.)**

# **Trash Compactor**

## **Recommended City Council Actions**

### **Code Amendments:**

- Needed to address use of compactor instead of placement on sidewalks

### **Fee Compendium:**

- Needed to add compactor use fee

### **Transfer Funding:**

- Needed to fund one-time implementation costs

# Trash Compactor

## Implementation Schedule:

- April, 2013 – begin construction and customer registration
- July, 2013 - available for customer use

# **Trash Compactor**

## **Commercial Grease Issues**

- **Collection of grease from restaurants handled by private service**
- **Compactor site will not offer grease collection facilities**
- **Outdoor storage, cleanliness and maintenance requirements should be clarified and strengthened**

# **Trash Compactor**

## **Commercial Grease Responsibilities:**

### **Updated Code Amendments:**

- **Proper and secure outdoor storage requirements**
- **Duty to report if spill occurs**
- **Responsibility for cleanliness and maintenance**

# Trash Compactor



**Questions?**